



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, people of all ages throughout the world have developed toxic injury, illnesses and disabilities from toxic exposures; and

WHEREAS, toxic injury often is characterized by medical intolerance to very small amounts of air pollution, petrochemicals and other toxins found in homes, our everyday products and environment; and it can be caused by short-term or chronic exposure to one or more chemicals, frequently pesticides, and solvents; and

WHEREAS, toxic injury may include multiple, often disabling illnesses and can be life threatening; and

WHEREAS, toxic injury is a chronic debilitating condition for which there is no known cure, causing serious financial, employment, learning, housing, health, social and other consequences; and

WHEREAS, the prevalence of these illnesses and the lack of knowledge and qualified doctors clearly warrant further education in this field for the public in general, future as well as practicing doctors, dentists, rescue personnel as well as other health care, social service, rehabilitation, housing, architects, HVAC designers and installers, building maintenance and cleaning personnel, school and employer/supervisory persons at schools, work places and public facilities and pest control personnel. "Knowledge is Power," and that power of knowledge can save precious lives; and

WHEREAS, there are diagnostic codes readily available for toxic effects of many chemicals found in our everyday environment and surroundings; and

WHEREAS, those suffering with toxic injury deserve the same rights, acknowledgment, respect, support and help allotted to other illnesses and disabilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim month of May 2008, to be

TOXIC INJURY AWARENESS AND EDUCATION MONTH

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho in Boise, Idaho, on this 19th day of March in the year of our Lord two-thousand and eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-second and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred eighteenth.

A blue ink signature of C.L. Butch Otter is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and cursive.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER
GOVERNOR

A black ink signature of Ben Ysursa is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and cursive.

BEN YSURSA
SECRETARY OF STATE